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THE CLOSE OF THE SEASON

The game on New Beaver Field between Haverford and Penn State marked the close of another successful season for the Blue and White footers. Two tie games and two victories is the story of the 1922 schedule which clinches the record for a Penn State team. Four seasons without a defeat and still going strong.

Never before in the history of this institution has a team gained for itself such an enviable performance, and this is strengthened by the list of opponents who have faced the Nittany team.

In this sport, Penn State has placed on the field for the last four years, a team that has made up for a lack of skill with an abundance of determination and fighting spirit. In many cases, this alone has carried them on to victory. They certainly deserve a reward.

It was rumored at the beginning of the season, that the Athletic Association would sanction a challenge being issued to the leaders of the Intercollegiate Soccer League. This league includes teams from Penn, Cornell, Princeton, Harvard, Yale, and Dartmouth. The victor of such a contest could rightly claim the soccer championship of the East, if not of the entire country. It is believed that Penn State would receive no little prestige if a challenge of this nature should be issued and a game arranged. There is no doubt but that the soccer team deserves it and the student body would learn of such an arrangement with joy and gladness. Then let the best team win!

A NEW SCRAP

At the beginning of the year, it was realized that Penn State customs had fallen into a rut and were being disregarded to an astonishing degree. The Student Tribunal took the situation admirably in hand and have checked violations to such an extent that college customs and traditions are quickly returning to the position they held in the years before the war. However, it was seen that class spirit among the freshmen and sophomores still lagged. To meet this condition, it was decided by Student Council to hold more class scraps in the fall of the year. Consequently, the time of holding the tie-up scrap was changed. At the last meeting of Student Council, it was voted to institute another fall scrap, which should take the place of the pushball scrap of previous years.

The last pushball scrap at the college was held on November 20, 1920 when the freshmen defeated the sophomores 1-0. The ball had been in use for several years, and finally gave way before the onslaught of the underclassmen in this year. The cost of a new ball has prohibited the purchase of a new one and so it was thought advisable to institute a new scrap as a substitute until a new ball is purchased. If the new scrap measures up to expectations, it will probably be made an annual event.

The plans of the scrap committee have not been completed as yet and will probably not be announced until the meeting of the classes on the night previous to the scrap. At that time, the rules and the details will be explained to the contending classes.

Whatever form that scrap may assume, it should receive the approbation of all classes. Only in this way can it prove its worth.

NEW TICKET DISTRIBUTION

The dissatisfaction that was expressed on the campus a week ago emphasized the need for a better system of distribution of tickets for the football contests, both at home and on foreign fields, and so Graduate Manager Neil Fleming has conceived a new plan which is receiving its initial try-out this week.

The Athletic Association has been aware of the disadvantages of the old system but was unable to act in the midst of a busy season. Student Council came to the rescue and appointed three of its members to act in cooperation with the A. A. and to inaugurate a new method.

The Graduate Manager of Athletics is to be given credit for the work which he applied to this task for the new plan. All that is now needed is the cooperation of the student body.

The new order of things eliminates standing in line for hours at a time and provides for the proper selection of tickets. It makes no difference when the application for tickets is handed in provided it is received during the period of the two days specified. A student may get his application during some off-hour of the day, take it home and write out a check to cover the cost of the tickets he desires, and return the application to the Treasurer's office at any time during Thursday or Friday and will be given the tickets which have been drawn for him.

The method of selecting tickets for the different applications is also noteworthy. All the applications are collected Tuesday night and are assorted according to classes. Senior applications will then be filled out first, the junior applications will next be considered, then the sophomores, and last those of the freshmen. In case there are not enough to satisfy all, then the freshman demand will be cut accordingly. It has always been maintained that this is the proper way to distribute tickets. It is true that the freshmen do not get the best seats, but some day they will be seniors and then they will receive the consideration they deserve.

Every student can rest assured that no partiality will be shown in assigning the tickets among their classmates. In filling out the applications of a certain class, the tickets allotted to that class will be drawn out by a lottery system. This is the fairest method which the committee could conceive.

If this system is successful this year, it will doubtless be used for the contests next year. It apparently commends itself for the enthusiastic support of both faculty and students. Whether it will be the success that it should be, remains to be seen.

ANOTHER DEFEAT

The defeat in football by the Penn team last Saturday afternoon in Philadelphia was a sad blow to Penn State and her friends, but it has been accepted as it should be. Evidently, Fate refuses to smile on the efforts of Captain Benz and his ten brothers-in-arms.

Penn has a good eleven and merits all the recognition which the Quaker team has won. That eleven displayed an excellent brand of football and generalship that is hard to beat. The backs are husky and capable men who failed but seldom and who won that extra yardage when it was needed.

The Nittany team played hard and well. They gained more yardage in scrimmage but were unable to penetrate the Red and Blue defense when but a small distance separated them from a first down. Palm's forward passing and punting is beyond criticism; Wilson's battering ability was unexcelled; Bedenk's alertness was remarkable. It has happened and no one is to be censured. Rather, all should be spurred on to finish the season in a blaze of glory.

There remains but one scheduled contest and that is with Pitt on Thanksgiving Day. Over a week remains before the team must leave for the Smoky City. In that time, miracles can be performed and the impossible accomplished. With Coach Bezdek in charge of the team, the student body is sure that a winning team can yet be produced.

"They fight hardest with their backs to the wall," is a saying that characterizes the work of a Blue and White eleven as well as that of the head coach. "Bez" has the faith of the entire student body. He has had overpowering odds with which to contend and he is slowly coming to the top. Coach Bezdek and his team is never down until they are out and have been carried off the field. Watch them go when they land on Forbes Field, a week from Thursday. We are back of them to the finish. Let's go!

DR. W. S. DYE DISCUSSES TRUE "COLLEGE SPIRIT"

Head of English Department Gives Deeper Insight Into Meaning of Much-Used Term

One of the terms one most often hears on a college campus is "college spirit". So often is the term heard, that I have ventured more than once to ask its meaning. I have not wanted the ordinary definition, but rather the deeper significance that attaches to the term. I am not sure that what might be called an adequate setting forth of what the words express and what they imply has reached my ears.

To the undergraduate, college spirit is a loud-mouthed, deep-throated, flamboyant, bizarre sort of thing. It has no place except at football games or other athletic contests; at class fights or college celebrations. At all of these events, the louder the noise and the more unusual the student manifestations, the more indicative are they of college spirit. During undergraduate days, college spirit seems to consist in visible manifestations—penants, ribbons, hat bands, arm bands, pins, and other insignia. For the most part it means what is called "supporting the team", even though that spirit entails the loss of time, the cutting of classes, and the neglect of those things for which a college is supposed to stand. Someone has facetiously put it, "Don't let your college work interfere with your education." But the

colony of that epigram, like the perpetrators of most half-truths, forgot to define education.

None of the ideas enumerated above, however, really suggest what college spirit really carries with it to the thinking undergraduate. It is not my intention to do other than merely brush the fringes of the subject. I merely wish to suggest a line of thought that may enable readers of this article to form an adequate conception of the term "college spirit". In a word, college spirit is the spirit—the animating motive, the principle for which a college stands—living in us and determining our actions. If the college stands for noble ideals, honest investigation of facts, worthy motives, and an unflinching desire to support whatever is true and right no matter who or what opposes, if it stands for scholastic, ethical, and political integrity no student can leave that college without taking such principles of action with him. The reverse is just as obvious; and on that, there is no need to dwell. As we carry from our home-training certain permanent ideals of life and conduct, so do we carry actualizing principles of life and conduct, and loyalty from our college. Our actions are the visible expressions of our "college spirit".

Somewhere, sometime, someone called a college a man's Alma Mater, his fostering mother. Think what the term suggests. From the loins of the college are we; from her come our lives; her spirit is our spirit; the blood that throbs

in her veins, throbs in ours. Our minds are developed or made over in her; our bodies, our souls, our ideals were made of her. Her care nourished us and made us over into something so new and strange that our natural parents no longer quite know us. It was she that instilled us with her spirit; the spirit of helpfulness, the spirit of humanity, the spirit of service. Those of us who have the real college spirit are blood of her blood, spirit of her spirit. In us lives the life of our Alma Mater; and to her we owe our all. Her hopes should be our hopes; her aspirations should be our aspirations; her ideals should be our ideals; her needs should be our needs. These are days of campaigns; or, to put it more truly, these are the days when our foster mothers are beset by difficulty; when their paths have fallen

on rough ways; when they are calling for help. It is a hard sort of child who refuses to lend aid to the folks at home. Your Alma Mater needs Welfare Buildings for those little brothers and sisters of yours, many of them yet unborn, who, someday, are coming to take your places at the Pennsylvania State University.

Has your contribution to the campaign been as large as you can afford? Redistribute the funds in your budget and send in a revised pledge.

Make good the true Penn State spirit.

FORESTRY DEPT. FINDS POSITION FOR GRADS

The seniors in the forestry course were treated to a special lecture last

week by H. H. Conrad '22, who is now connected with the Sturtevant Dry Kiln Company. He went to work with this concern after graduation and has made good, for he already has charge of the Boston and Philadelphia offices, which involves the installation of plants and selling of products. When in college, Conrad specialized in Dry Kilns in the Wood Utilization course in the Department of Forestry.

Last year eleven men were graduated from the Department of Forestry and all but one are following this course. Every one of these men has made good in his respective line. Four of them are in the United States Forestry Service in the West, two teaching in forestry schools, and four in lumber or wood utilization projects.

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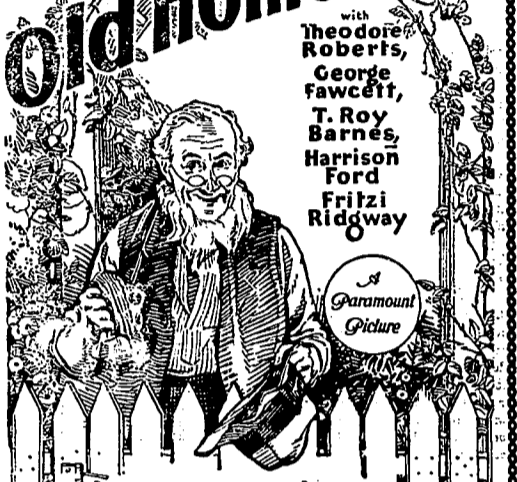
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Shoes. Which kind gets you there the quickest?

TWO college men were walking down the road, when a classmate whizzed by in his car.

"Pretty soft!" sighed one.

Said the other, "I'll show him. Some day I'll own a car that's got his stopped thirty ways."

The more some men want a thing, the harder they work to get it. And the time to start working—such men at college know—is right now.

All question of classroom honors aside, men would make college count for more if they realized this fact: You can buy a text book for two or three dollars, but you can sell it for as many thousand—once you have digested the contents.

This is worth remembering, should you be inclined to the self-pity which social comparisons sometimes cause. And anyway, these distinctions are bound to be felt, even though your college authorities bar certain luxuries as undemocratic—as perhaps they are.

The philosophy that will carry you through is this: "My day will come—and the more work I crowd into these four years, the quicker I'll make good."

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